

SIX MISSING,
NINE DEADAnd Only Two Were Rescued
in Colorado Mine Explosion

IS CALLED AN ACCIDENT

Bodies of Four Shot-firers Killed in Last
Night's Catastrophe Were Taken
Out To-day and Five More
Were Discovered Later.

Trinidad, Colo., Feb. 10.—The bodies of four shot-firers were removed from the Gale mine which was wrecked by an explosion last night, five more bodies have been discovered and six men are still unaccounted for to-day. There were seventeen men in the mine at the time of the explosion, and only two shot-firers were rescued. It is believed that the six men who are missing are dead. All of the miners were foreigners. Superintendent Bailles of the company declared this morning that the explosion was due to the accidental discharge of blasting powder. The mine is owned by the American Smelting and Refining company.

SAW FOUR MEN CRAWL
THROUGH FENCEA Milkman Gives First Good Clue to
Mystery of the Robbing of Tomb
at Erie, Pa., This Week.

Erie, Pa., Feb. 10.—The story told by a milkman to-day regarding the stealing of a body from the Scott mausoleum in the Erie cemetery and the tampering with the fashets of five others buried there, was to the effect that on January 27, he was stopped by a man near the cemetery, who said he had heard hammering in the cemetery and later saw four men crawl through the fence. This story is being investigated by detectives in connection with the robbery of the mausoleum.

On account of the reticence of the police and members of the family, much mystery surrounds the desecration of the mausoleum. Although the statement issued by the family is to the effect that the body stolen was that of Mrs. Anna McCollum, rumors are persistent that the ghouls have taken the body of the millionaire congressman, William Scott. An investigation of the vault has shown conclusively that the ghouls were persons familiar with the work undertaken. When the copper plates in front of the crypts were torn away a sharp hooked instrument was run into the crypt and the name plates pulled from the caskets.

The head of a Pittsburg detective agency and a number of assistants arrived here last night. They visited the home of Charles H. Strong, a son-in-law of Mr. Scott, and later inspected the mausoleum. No statement was forthcoming, however. It is reported that the Strong family is contemplating the announcement of a large reward for the recovery of Mrs. McCollum's body. During the day the cemetery officials offered a reward of \$1,000.

HEAVY LOSS IN BATTLE.

300 Revolutionists Against 250 Federals.
Battle Lasted Twelve Hours.

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 10.—According to a message received to-day by federal officers here, three hundred revolutionists and two hundred and fifty federals engaged in battle near Mulato, Texas. The loss on both sides is reported to be heavy, but no details have been received. According to reports, the battle lasted twelve hours.

ANOTHER DEFEAT.

Sustained by Mexican Troops Near Mulato, Mexico.

Mulato, Mex., Feb. 10.—Mexican forces, under General Luque, sustained another defeat to-day in the attack on the insurgents, whom they have been fighting in this vicinity for a week. The federals assaulted the insurgents forces entrenched about Mulato and were repulsed after a battle lasting five hours.

CREW OF 29 DROWNED.

Russian Bark Glenbank Wrecked Off
Australian Coast.

Cossack, West Australia, Feb. 10.—The Russian bark Glenbank was wrecked off the coast here to-day and twenty-nine members of the crew were drowned.

Ex-Gov. Smith Was a Guest.

Troy, N. Y., Feb. 10.—The Hon. Charles S. Francis, who was ambassador to Austria-Hungary under President Roosevelt, entertained at a dinner last night at his residence in this city, Governor and Mrs. Dix, former Governor and Mrs. Edward C. Smith of Vermont and George Stewart L. Woodford.

No Quorum in Ballot To-day.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 10.—There was no quorum in the 21st ballot for United States senator to-day.

Frank Coburn was awakened during Friday night to find his house in Pittsfield on fire and the roof all ready to fall in. He and his wife managed to get their five children out just as the roof fell in. The house barn joined the house and burned nearly as soon as the house did. Only one horse was saved. Mr. Coburn carried his daughter, Ella, 12 years old, ill with a fever, to the nearest neighbor, a mile away. His wife carried the baby; the rest of the children followed as best they could. Some of them had no stockings on. Nothing was saved in the house, excepting what clothing they could get as they passed out. None of their household goods or animals were insured. The house was owned by L. E. Taylor.

YOUNG GRISCOM RETURNS.

None of the Arnold Family Meets Him.
Will Aid Search.

New York, Feb. 10.—George S. Griscom, Jr., of Pittsburgh, Pa., whose name has been mentioned in connection with the missing New York girl, Miss Dorothy Arnold, arrived in New York last night from Italy. None of the Arnold family met him. "The case is as much of a mystery as ever to me, boys," said Griscom to the newspaper men, "but it is, I may say frankly, part of my purpose in coming home now to offer what assistance I can to the Arnold family. I have been on the sea nearly two weeks, and I have received no messages from the Arnolds, so I do not know what I can do to help them. I haven't the slightest theory regarding Miss Arnold's disappearance."

Griscom, however, scouted the belief that the girl is dead. He said he received a letter at Florence, Italy, from Miss Arnold about the first of December. Miss Arnold disappeared December 12 and it was two days later, on the 14th, that he received a cablegram telling of her disappearance. This letter, he said, was cheerful, but it gave no intimation of her disappearance from home. He added emphatically, however, that he never had been engaged to marry the girl. The last he saw of her was on November 3 before he departed for Italy.

NEW ENGLAND FEDERATION.

For the Advancement of Transportation
and Other Interests.

Boston, Feb. 10.—The New England federation for the advancement of the transportation and other business interests of New England, was formed at the Boston chamber of commerce last yesterday, composed of the presidents of the business organizations throughout New England, 103 representatives being present.

Officers were elected as follows: President, George H. Carter, Boston; vice presidents, C. T. Tatum, Worcester; Gustave Peyer, Portsmouth, N. H.; Arthur Chapin, Bangor, Me.; J. C. Day, Hallowell, Me.; S. E. Vincent, Bridgeport, Conn.; and E. T. Gross, Providence, R. I.

Last night the members of the new federation united with the members of the chamber of commerce in a banquet at the hotel Somerset, at which the chamber of commerce industrial and educational exposition, to be held next October, was the topic of the evening.

CASE NOY PROSSED.

That Against Roy L. Van Wornor,
Charging Larceny of \$5,000.

Boston, Feb. 10.—The case against Roy L. Van Wornor of New York, who was charged with the larceny of \$5,000 from Elliott C. Lee of Brookline, a retired Boston banker and broker, was not prosed yesterday by District Attorney Pelletier, it being the opinion of Judge Murray of the municipal court that the police did not have a case against the defendant. It was alleged that Van Wornor secured \$5,000 from Mr. Lee on Jan. 27, by misrepresenting the value of two sets of books. Mr. Lee announced that he was willing to drop all proceedings as Van Wornor had agreed to return the money.

WEALTHY STOCKMAN
MISSING FOR MONTHThey Started for Sheep Camp in California, and Authorities Believe
That They Were Murdered.

Eagleview, Cal., Feb. 10.—Harry Cambron, John Lagzane, B. Indiana and H. Erramuspey, wealthy stockmen, have been missing since the first of January and it is believed by the authorities here that they were murdered. The men left their camp January 1 to go to a sheep camp seven miles distant. It has been learned that the men had trouble with the cattle rustlers.

PLUNGED INTO WELL.

Because She Knew She Was Crazy and
No Good in World.

Riverdale, N. H., Feb. 10.—Mrs. Hattie A. Follensbee, aged 67, wife of Alonzo Follensbee, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by drowning. She had been mentally deranged for some time.

Mr. Follensbee was away and when he returned found a note saying that she knew she was crazy and that it was best for her to be out of the world. He began hunting and found her in the well, where she had plunged head first.

When taken out it was found that she had made two attempts on her life before she jumped. She had tried to cut her throat and to cut an artery in her hand. Failing in these, she had made the fatal plunge.

AN EXCITING FIRE.

Caused Damage of \$25,000 in Providence
Yesterday Afternoon.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 10.—The first two-alarm fire in this city in several months forced about 100 persons to flee from the Schwartz building, 87 Weybosset street, yesterday afternoon, and caused a loss of about \$25,000. The fire started in a cafe, and most of the damage was caused by water.

The building is a large six-story brick structure, occupied on the ground floor by Belcher & Leominis, hardware dealers, and by about fifty offices on the upper floors.

BIG FACTORY BUILDING BURNED.

Automobile Watertower Saved Building.
Loss Was \$75,000.

New York, Feb. 10.—The timely arrival of the automobile watertower turned the tide in a struggle with a dangerous fire in a big factory building on Elizabeth street this morning. Streams from the tower held the loss down to \$75,000 and saved the surrounding property.

LEADING MAN
IN HIS STATEFormer Governor Hiram A.
Tuttle of New Hampshire Dead

HAD BEEN ILL 2 MONTHS

He Started Long Career of Usefulness by
Hiring Out in a Clothing Store
in Pittsfield, N. H., When
17 Years Old.

Pittsfield, N. H., Feb. 10.—Former Governor Hiram A. Tuttle of New Hampshire died at his home here this morning. He was governor from 1891 to 1893. He was born at Barnstead, N. H., in 1837, being the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Tuttle. When the boy was nine years of age the family moved to Pittsfield. Hiram attended the public schools and Pinkerton academy until he was 17 years of age, when he went to work in a clothing store. He soon went into business for himself and was still engaged in it at the time of his death.

In 1850 he was married to Mary C., daughter of John L. French. He was town clerk in Pittsfield, a member of the New Hampshire legislature, member of the governor's staff, member of the executive council and finally governor. Besides his mercantile interests, Mr. Tuttle had large real estate and lumber properties; was a director of the New Hampshire Fire Insurance company and of the Concord and Montreal R. R. company director of the Suncook Valley R. R., president of the Pittsfield Savings bank and trustee and president of the Manchester Savings bank.

The former governor had been ill for more than two months, from a complication of diseases. His wife was at his bedside when he died.

ADMIRAL TERRY DEAD.

Was Prominent in Civil War Naval Operations.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—Rear Admiral Silas Wright Terry, retired, who was prominently identified with the federal naval operations in the Civil war, died at his Washington home yesterday of pneumonia. He was a native of Waltons, Ky., where he was born 68 years ago.

Admiral Terry was at the fall of Richmond and accompanied President Lincoln when he entered the Confederate capital. For gallant conduct in the Red river expedition by the Mississippi squadron in 1863-64, he was advanced five numbers in his grade. Under Admiral Porter he participated in the attacks upon Forts Fisher and Anderson and the capture of Wilmington in February, 1865.

In the early days of the war, he was engaged in the blockading service on the Atlantic coast. In January, 1862, while commanding the Marion, Admiral Terry rescued the crew of the bark Trinity, who had been shipwrecked in October, 1860, and were marooned on Heard island in the Indian ocean.

While at Cape Town in February, 1862, he hauled the British ship Poonah off the beach, saving her from total loss. For this service he received the thanks of the Cape Colony and British government.

Entering the navy Sept. 28, 1858, Admiral Terry rose to the rank of rear admiral March 29, 1900. He was retired Dec. 28, 1904, upon reaching the statutory age of 62 years.

Admiral Terry's daughter, Eleanor, last November married Lieutenant Commander Camperio, formerly naval attaché of the Italian embassy here. The couple now reside in Italy.

DEATH OF G. L. PEABODY.

Boston Society Man Was to Marry Miss
Elythe Deacon.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 10.—George Lee Peabody, a member of a prominent Boston family, died yesterday afternoon at the John Hopkins hospital following a series of three operations performed to remove a foreign growth within the skull resulting from a fall from his horse while hunting last spring. Miss Elythe Deacon, who was engaged to Mr. Peabody, came from Washington almost daily to visit him. Mr. Peabody was 42 years old.

SETTLING THAW CLAIMS.

Mrs. Thaw, the Mother, Will Get over
\$200,000.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 10.—In an opinion and report relative to the claims of various creditors of Harry K. Thaw, who killed Stanford White, William T. Blair, referee in bankruptcy, has dismissed a number of claims in full, others in part, and some are dismissed altogether. The total claims aggregate \$500,000, the claimants being his mother, attorneys, physicians, detectives and storekeepers. Mrs. Mary C. Thaw, the mother, is allowed her claim in full, amounting to \$209,674.21. Mrs. Thaw produced in evidence twenty-five promissory notes, showing that the money was loaned and was to be charged.

Attorney John B. Gleason of New York had a claim for \$39,585, as a balance due him for professional services during the Thaw trial, on a bill of \$80,000 and \$10,115 for additional expenses. Referee Blair allowed him \$20,115.

The full claim of Martin W. Littleton, amounting to \$8,240.24, was allowed. Dr. J. R. Campbell, who was the Thaw physician, was allowed \$500, or one-half. Dr. C. G. Wagner, medical superintendent of the Binghamton state hospital for the insane, New York, was allowed his full claim of \$4,040. A 5 per cent. dividend will be forthcoming to the various creditors whose claims are proved within a few days.

John Manchester of Randolph was a visitor in the city to-day.

A son was born to-day to Mr. and Mrs. James McDonald of Blackwell street.

EVADED LAW LONG TIME.

But Henry Abair of Winoski Got His
Sentence Finally.

Burlington, Feb. 10.—Henry Abair of Winoski evaded the hand of the law for three years, only to have it fall heavily upon him yesterday in city court, when he was sentenced to not more than two and one-half years at Rutland for burglary.

Abair and a man named Reuben Allen were concerned in the robbery of a cottage at Camp Barnard, Malletts boys, on the night of December 26, 1907. Allen was arrested, convicted and sentenced to state's prison for not less than three nor more than three and one-half years. With time off for good behavior, he finished his sentence last fall.

Abair, however, left the state as soon as the burglary was discovered and remained away until recently, when, it is said, he was led to believe that it would be safe for him to return to Winoski. Upon his return he was arrested.

His attorney, V. A. Bullard, made an effort to have the case investigated with a view to having Abair placed in the hands of the probation officer. Judge Mower investigated the facts in the case personally and when Abair was brought into city court yesterday afternoon, Judge Mower was not inclined to place him in the hands of the probation officer.

BOY ACCUSED OF ROBBERY.

Emanuel Henderson, 16, Was Arrested
at Essex Junction.

Burlington, Feb. 10.—Sheriff Allen yesterday went to Essex Junction and arrested Emanuel Henderson, a Jamaican, 16 years of age, who is alleged to have entered the houses of Chief Musician Alfred J. Thomas and Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant Davis at Fort Ethan Allen on Wednesday night and stolen \$63. Young Henderson is now in the guard house at the post, pending an investigation. If sufficient evidence is obtained to warrant it the case will probably be placed in the hands of Deputy United States Marshal Reeves.

Young Henderson was placed in custody by Sheriff Allen while in school at Essex. The sheriff was at the post in connection with other business and the officers requested him to go to Essex for Henderson. The robbery charged against the boy was committed on the government reservation.

It is understood that this is not the only burglary that has occurred at the post recently. Another sergeant, it is claimed, is said to have missed a ring belonging to his wife and also a gold locket, the property of his daughter. The ring, according to the sergeant, is a woman's engagement ring bearing the initials "H" to "C" and is a Yukon ring, made in Alaska. The locket bears the initials "R. B." on one side and has a large chip diamond on the reverse side.

POSTPONE ACTION
ON RECIPROCITYBut House Committee on Ways and
Means Will Probably Vote to
Report the Bill Favorably.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—The House committee on ways and means to-day postponed action on the Canadian reciprocity agreement until to-morrow, when the committee will probably vote to report favorably to the House the measure embodying the agreement. To-day's session was devoted largely to an explanation of the wood pulp and print paper provision agreement.

GRANGES TO OBJECT.

Understood That 7,500 "Subordinates"
Will Oppose Treaty.

Concord, N. H., Feb. 10.—Former Gov. Nahum J. Bachelder, master of the national grange, is chairman of the national legislative committee to which was addressed last night Secretary Wilson's reply to the national grange's declared opposition to the Canadian reciprocity agreement. National Master Bachelder is now in Washington in connection with the duties of his office.

It is understood by officers of the New Hampshire state grange that the national legislative committee, is, within a few days, to communicate with each of the 7,500 subordinate granges of the country asking them to oppose the certification of the proposed reciprocity agreement.

TURNED DOWN RECIPROCITY.

The Massachusetts House Voted 51 to
132 Yesterday.

Boston, Feb. 10.—By a vote of 51 to 132 the Massachusetts House of Representatives yesterday refused to endorse the proposed Canadian reciprocity agreement and referred the various orders on the subject to the committee on federal relations which will hold public hearings and report its findings with recommendations to the general court not later than February 15.

Reciprocity Endorsed.

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 10.—Reciprocity with Canada was endorsed by the House yesterday, but in the Senate the matter was tabled, on motion of Senator Penn, who said he wished time to ascertain the sentiment in the agricultural districts of the state.

FIVE AMERICANS HELP PERSIA.

W. Morgan Shuster of New York Made
Treasurer General.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—To assist the Persian government in reorganizing its finance system, W. Morgan Shuster of New York will be appointed treasurer general of the empire. Shuster, who reorganized the Philippine tariff law, is one of five Americans to be employed by Persia in its financial rehabilitation.

Two of a Kind.

"Oh, George!" sighed the lovesick maiden, "I'm sure I'm not worthy to be your wife."

"Well," replied George wearily, "I'm not worthy to be your husband, so we're just about matched."—The Catholic Standard and Times.

BOY SUICIDE
LEFT A NOTEDirecting His Mother Where
to Find His Body

SHOT HIMSELF IN HEAD

No Cause for the Act Is Known, but It
Is Stated That Lewis Miner, Aged
14, of West Lincoln Had a
Peculiar Disposition.

Bristol, Feb. 10.—Leaving a note to his mother, saying that he had gone up stairs to kill himself, Lewis Miner, aged 14, killed himself with a rifle late yesterday afternoon. His mother, Mrs. James Ellis, found the note lying on the kitchen table and, on investigation, discovered the body in the boy's room, as the note had intimated. The family resides in the extreme western part of the town of Lincoln.

No cause is known for the boy's act, although it is said that he was of a very peculiar disposition. He had made elaborate plans for doing away with himself. Securing a rifle he placed the muzzle under his chin, attached a piece of cord to the trigger and his foot and then kicked himself into eternity. The bullet mangled the lad's head fearfully.

SIR KNIGHTS AS HOSTS

At Annual "Ladies' Night" of St. Alde-
mar Commandery.

Nearly one hundred couples attended the annual "ladies' night" of St. Alde-marc commandery, No. 11, Knights Templar, in the Masonic apartments last evening, and the occasion was one of the most enjoyable ever held by the organization. The entertainment being varied to suit the wishes of all. The guests gathered first in the Masonic hall, where a program was given, following a welcome extended by Sir Knight D. R. Davis.

The feature part of the program was the reading by Miss Mary Nichols, who came under the direction of the White entertainment bureau of Boston. Miss Nichols captivated all with her work, her impersonations being considered better than any recently given in Barre. She recited "The Lie," "The Shopgirl," "The Horse Race" and "Keeping a Secret for a Friend at a Banquet," with an encore to the latter from one of James Whitcomb Riley's boy stories. So cleverly was the impersonation done that the audience could almost see the characters.

Between the reading numbers of the program, Riley's orchestra furnished music and a buffet lunch was served. At the close of the concert, the party went to the commandery drill hall, where there was dancing till midnight, to music by the same orchestra. The rooms of the club on the floor below were also open for those who preferred to play cards. Several members of Mt. Zion commandery of Montpelier, with their wives, were present as guests of St. Alde-marc commandery. The committee of the latter organization, which had charge of the event, was as follows: N. S. Love, W. G. Reynolds and F. W. Burnham.

The funeral will be held from St. Monica's church to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

WALBRIDGE CONTEST SETTLED.

No Collision Between Son and Admin-
istration—Heirs Will Not Appeal.

The Walbridge estate contest was ended in probate court at Montpelier yesterday, before Judge Martin, when he gave the decision that there was no collusion between Frank Walbridge, one of the heirs, and Marshall Montgomery of St. Johnsbury, the administrator of the estate. He also decided that the settlement, which two men had made was a saving to the estate. The heirs will not appeal to a higher court. Mr. Montgomery asked for \$500 extra, on account of services performed outside his regular duties, and was given half that amount, \$250.

In 1908, Levi J. Walbridge of Cabot died, leaving an estate estimated at \$20,000, but his books were kept in a very crude manner and many of the bills owing the estate could not be collected, for that reason. Thirty suits were brought to collect them, but in each case the estate lost the case, and the money dwindled to \$14,000. Then the settlement between Mr. Montgomery and Frank Walbridge, one of the heirs, was contested and the result has been a long period of litigation. Up to the present time, the heirs have received \$9,000, and it is expected that the matter can soon be settled, now that the decision has been given.

M. M. Gordon represented the heirs and H. W. Hovey of St. Johnsbury was the attorney for Frank J. Walbridge.

MEASLES EPIDEMIC.

There Are Over 50 Cases in St. Albans
at Present Time.

St. Albans, Feb. 10.—Measles is epidemic in this city, there being over fifty cases at the present time and some of the patients being seriously ill. The exact number of cases is not known because both physicians and parents have been negligent in reporting them, it is asserted.

MINIMUM WAGE KNOT.

Difficult for Quincy Granite Men's Con-
ference to Untie.

Quincy, Mass., Feb. 10.—Conference committees of the granite manufacturers and granite cutters met again Wednesday evening in an effort to reach a settlement of their differences, but nothing definite resulted. Almost the entire evening was spent on the minimum wage proposition.

153 FISHERMEN PROBABLY LOST.

Ice Flee, on Which They Were Adrift,
Not Found.

Viborg, Finland, Feb. 10.—The ice breaking vessels returned to-day after a fruitless search for the ice flee on which 153 fishermen have been adrift for several days. It is believed that all have perished. One hundred men, belonging to the same party, were rescued after the flee broke away in a gale.

WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE COMING.

Is Belief of City Clerk Mackay, Told in
Address on Citizenship.

The regular meeting of the Young People's association held in the Presbyterian church last evening when City Clerk James Mackay addressed the members on "Privileges of Citizenship." A good-sized audience was present, and Mr. Mackay handled his subject in a manner that held the undivided attention of his listeners. In opening his remarks, the speaker congratulated the association on the success of the instructive meetings already held regularly throughout the winter, and expressed his best wishes for a future equally as good. Such a society of young people, he said, is bound to prove beneficial.

Defining Aristotle's well known declaration of citizenship, Mr. Mackay proceeded to show that the true citizen can exist only in a free state or country. America, he said, is conceded to have one of the most enlightened forms of government. Under it, it is possible for all to take part therein with the exception of the women, who do not yet share in popular government. He believed, however, that the day is not far distant when the right to vote would be extended to women, and that this important step would give our citizenship an even higher value than it has to-day.

He spoke also of the increased obligations of citizenship and said that with this increase comes an increased responsibility on the part of parents, who have a charge of rearing our future citizens. He touched on the primary importance of good character as essential to true citizenship. If we turn to George Washington, the father of our country, he said, we find that his memory is cherished not so much for what he achieved in warfare, or in statesmanship as for the high and noble ideals with which he was imbued.

In closing, Mr. Mackay emphasized the duty of the citizen to take an active interest in everything that pertains to industrial life. It is our duty, he said, to shape the conditions of industrial life in this country whereby it will be impossible for the few to revel in material things they never earned. Following his conclusion, the speaker was heartily applauded. Routine business was followed by a social hour.

PATRICK J. LEAHEY DEAD.

Former Resident of Barre, Recently In
Business at Northfield.

News has reached here of the death of Patrick J. Leahy yesterday at Lake Placid, N. Y., the cause of death being tuberculosis. Mr. Leahy was 39 years of age and was born at Mineville, N. Y., coming to Barre when quite young. Here he learned the granite cutting trade and was employed for many years by the Celand Hall company.

About three years ago he removed to Northfield, where he entered the granite business with John M. Carroll. Later he was obliged to give this up on account of failing health and had been living since that time at Lake Placid, in the hope of regaining his health.

He was married June 8, 1895, to Josie Carroll of this city, by whom he is survived, with two children, his father and mother, and two brothers at Lake Placid, several sisters. He was a member of St. John's church, No. 322, C. O. C. of Barre council, K. of C., and division No. 1, A. O. H., of this city. Mr. Leahy was a man of excellent character and his many friends regret to hear of his death.

The funeral will be held from St. Monica's church to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

THE GIST OF THE COMPLAINT.

The following is in substance the purport of the articles in the petition which has been filed with the public service commission in the city of Barre and which complains that the owners and those in control of the East Barre & Chelsea railroad and the Barre railroad and the M. & W. railroad, refused, and still continue to refuse, to maintain a shipping point or billing station in East Barre, Westerville and Granitville, compelling people of these places, who wish to ship their goods over said railroads to divers points, to pay an extra charge for shipping their goods to Barre City, and then have the consignors or shippers consign, or bill, their goods to their destination.

Moreover, that the same is true with goods coming to the three above-named places, an extra charge having to be paid from Barre City, and so the petitioners say that the people of these localities, in the manufacture and selling of goods, cannot compete successfully with people in the city of Barre and elsewhere for they have to pay an additional cartage of fifty cents a ton on granite and a heavier rate on other articles; that the freight rates over said railroad to the city of Barre and other points within the state are excessive and exorbitant and that the same should be reduced by the honorable commission; that the passenger service is improper, grossly inefficient and, worse than nothing; that the petitioners further inform the commission that the reports of the earnings of the respective railroads show that a reasonable cut may be made without materially affecting the operation of said roads and paying a reasonable return on the money invested by said railroad companies; that shipping points be established at East Barre, Westerville and Granitville.

SUIT OVER MORTGAGED COW.

Occupied Attention in Municipal Court
In St. Johnsbury.

St. Johnsbury, Feb. 10.—A lawsuit was brought in municipal court yesterday by Frank Stoddard against H. A. Chesley. It was an action of assumpsit to recover the value of a cow which Stoddard sold at auction to Chesley, leaving a mortgage on the cow at the time of the sale. David E. Porter appeared for the plaintiff and Howe & Hovey for the defendant. The plaintiff's evidence was put in, and the defendant waived his defence and took an appeal from the judgment to county court. Judgment was rendered for the plaintiff for the sum of \$29.67 and costs.

NOT A CANDIDATE.

Alderman Hoyt Will Not Seek a Re-
election from Ward 3.

Alderman George H. Hoyt of ward three announced this morning that he would not be a candidate for re-election as alderman from his ward this year. He says he cannot spare the time from his business. In this ward there has been some talk of putting Richard Grigg forward as a candidate.

In ward 1 the name of T. C. Carswell has been mentioned as a possible additional candidate for the nomination as alderman.

RAIL CHARGES
70 Barre Town Shippers Also
Ask for Billing Stations

ONTWO LOCAL RAILROADS

Public Service Commission Gave a Pre-
liminary Hearing To-day and Granted
Continuance So That Specific
Complaints Might Be Made.

A preliminary hearing on the petition brought by seventy business men of Barre Town against the Barre Railroad company, the East Barre & Chelsea Railroad company and the Montpelier & Wells River Railroad company